

WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA

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PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING
Webb County Courthouse
1000 Houston Street, 2ND Floor
Laredo, Texas 78040
May 22, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. and continuing
May 23, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. if necessary

- 1. Call to order by the Honorable County Judge, Louis H. Bruni
- 2. Roll call by the Honorable County Clerk, Margie Ibarra
- **3.** Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Bills, Payroll and Monthly Reports
- **5.** Communications
- **6.** Public Comment- This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a Witness Card specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on. Each public member will be allowed a total of three (3) minutes within which to make any/all public comments.

COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING:

HONORABLE LOUIS H. BRUNI, WEBB COUNTY JUDGE

- 7. Discussion and possible action to approve a proposed Indigent Care Affiliation Agreement, to authorize the Webb county Judge to execute all relevant documents, and any other matters incident thereto.
- **8.** Status report on City of Laredo's providing water to Los Botines, with discussion and possible action to direct staff to take measures as necessary to further the project, and any other matters incident thereto.
- **9.** Power point presentation on reduction of telecommunications charges and services offered by Tax Research & Recovery, Inc.

HONORABLE JUDITH G. GUTIERREZ, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

- 10. Discussion and possible action to approve Change Order #1 for TCDP #725891 for the Tool Library located behind the Self-Help Center Building. There will be no monetary increase or decrease to the construction contractor contract. [This change will not impact the general fund.]
- **11.** Discussion and possible action to accept a donation in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00 from Goodwill Industries of San Antonio, 406 West Commerce, San Antonio, TX. 78207 for the Self Help Center; Fund 506-2100.

HONORABLE CINDY CORTEZ-BRUNNER, COMMISSIONERS PCT. 4

12. Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$16,849.00 to CG Construction to their contract for the Fred & Anita Bruni Community Center. This will not change the contract price of \$441,836.07 because funding will come from the Contingency funds of said contract.

MEDIA BREAK	

ELECTED OFFICIALS

HONORABLE RICK FLORES, WEBB COUNTY SHERIFF

13. Discussion and possible action to approve the following 4 slot changes for personnel of the Webb County Sheriff's Department effective May 22, 2006. The salary increases are equal to the salary decreases and the amount of personnel costs budgeted for fiscal year 2005-2006 remain unchanged.

HONORABLE PATRICIA BARRERA, WEBB COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

14. Discussion and possible action to approve a refund to Patterson Drilling Company LP in the amount of \$7,383.29. [Reason: Did not exist; rigs were not in Webb County as per cause #202-DVQ001062-D4 for 2002]

HONORABLE HECTOR LIENDO, WEBB COUNTY JP PCT. 1 PLACE 1

15. Discussion and possible action on funding for Summer Youth Program.

HONORABLE HOMERO RAMIREZ, WEBB COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 16. Discussion and possible action to enter into a three year (April 1, 2006 through March 31, 2009) lease agreement with Argus Security Systems for an alarm monitor located at the Floyd Head Start Center in the amount of TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$2,160.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Head Start]
- 17. Discussion and possible action to enter into a three year (April 1, 2006 through March 31, 2009) lease agreement with Argus Security Systems for an alarm monitor located at the Jesus Garcia Head Start Center (Module # 1, 2, 3) in the amount of TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$2,160.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Head Start].
- 18. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Maintenance Agreement with Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba ES 452 Digital Copier for the Self Help Center for a one (1) year period (May 22, 2006 through May 21, 2007) with copy overages invoiced at \$0.0070 per print copy and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Self Help Center, Account No. 001-0105-6402 (Repairs and Maintenance)].

- 19. Discussion and possible action to enter into a three year (May 8, 2006 through May 7, 2009) lease agreement with XEROX-CORPORATION for one WC123 Duplex/ADF 23-28STND 1) FINISHR to be located at 4801 Daugherty for a total amount not to exceed SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIVE CENTS (\$6,107.05) and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by CAA.]
- **20.** Discussion and possible action to accept one (1) right of way, out of San Carlos Phase I Subdivision, 2 rights-of-way out of D-5 Acres Subdivision, one (1) right-of-way out of Laredo Ranchettes Subdivision, 2 rights-of-way out of Pueblo Nuevo Subdivision, 1 right-of-way out of Los MInerales Annex Subdivision and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.
- **21.** Discussion and possible action to enter into Third Party Funding Agreements as Follow:

Hotel Motel

LULAC Council #12 \$5,000.00 and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents.

- 22. Discussion and possible action to enter into an equipment modification service contract with IBM at a cost not to exceed ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND NIENTY DOLLARS (\$1,290.00), and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents. IBM will be installing computer hardware on the IBM server at the Webb County Tax Assessors/ Collectors Office. [Requested by Webb County Tax Assessor/Collector Account No. 001-0700-6022]
- 23. Discussion and possible action to enter into a four (4) year Interlocal Agreement with the Laredo Community College District (LCC) to provide for the collection of ad valorem taxes by the Webb County Tax Assessor/Collector, and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by the Webb County Tax Assessor/Collector.
- 24. Discussion and possible action submit a Solicitation for Offers (SFO) to the U.S. Department of Agriculture to lease 2,050 sq. ft. from Webb County for a one year period, at a rate of \$10.39 per sq. ft per month being ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$1,775.00) per month (21,299.50 annual), to include five one year options, subject to rate negotiation, utilities, maintenance and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.

- 25. Discussion and possible action to enter into a one year lease with U.S. Department of Agriculture to lease 2,050 sq. ft. from Webb County (Ag. Building) for a one year period, at a rate of \$10.39 per sq. ft. per month being ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$1,775.00) per month (\$21,299.50 annual), to include five one year options, subject to rate negotiation, utilities, maintenance, and Commissioners Court authorization to make minor improvements/renovations to the office space (not to exceed \$1,650.00 for the partial removal of an interior wall) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.
- **26.** Discussion and possible action to set spending limit on budgetary expenditures to be made by incumbent county and precinct officers not renominated.

AUDITOR

- **27.** Discussion and possible action to approve using the interest earned from Bond Series 2003 (Fund #657) as the payment source for the capital outlay purchases identified in the back up.
- **28.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchasing Agent to solicit request for proposals for Independent Auditors.
- **29.** Discussion and possible action authorizing the County Auditor to submit Webb County's Collection Program plan in accordance with SB 1863 as requested by the Office of Court Administration (OCA), and any other matters incident thereto.
- **30.** Presentation and action to accept the Audited Basic financial Statements of Webb County for the fiscal Year ended September 30, 2005 by accounting firm of Mejia & Co., Certified Public Accountants.

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

- **31.** Discussion and Possible action to approve the appointment of Al J. Chapa, CEO Doctors Hospital, as a Community Representative, for Category "C" for the Community Action Agency Advisory Board, to fill a current vacancy.
- **32.** Discussion and possible action to fill slot # 1131 & slot # 2054, Driver, for the WCCAA Rural Transportation Department effective May 23, 2006, at a salary of \$8.57 per hour. Funds are to come from account# 980-4205-5001. No impact to the General Fund.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 33. Discussion and possible action to approve the release of retainer as recommended by the Webb County Engineer to CG Construction in the amount of \$2,926.20 (Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars and Twenty Cents) for the construction of the Webb County Self-Help Center Tool Library.
- 34. Discussion and possible action on the development and submission of two project applications to FY 07-08 Border Environment Infrastructure Fund (BEIF) administered by the North American Development Bank (NADB) and the Project Development Assistance Program (PDAP) administered by the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC) for the construction of a water distribution system and a wastewater collection and treatment system for the eligible colonias on Highway 59. Project applications due June 30, 2006.

ENGINEER

- **35.** Discussion and Possible Action Granting a Temporary Construction Easement to the City of Laredo on a tract of land of 0.017 acres (4,640 sq. ft.), situated on Lot 5, Block 18 of the Western Division of the City of Laredo adjacent to Santa Ursula Avenue, south of Zaragoza Street and Authorizing the County Judge to execute the easement.
- **36.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the County Engineer to acquire twenty feet (20) of Right of Way from County School Lands adjacent to Las Pilas Road from Hwy 59 to the northern limit of the County School Lands in order to widen Las Pilas Road to fifty (50) feet and make it a County Road or to acquire twenty feet (20) of Right of Way from the adjacent property owner on the west side of Las Pilas Rd.
- 37. Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the implementation of a Policy Restricting Trucks with tanks larger than 500 gallons to load water at Webb County's Water Dispensers located at Las Lomas (Hwy 59), Self Help Center (Hwy 359) and at La Bota (Mines Rd.) and designating the Golf Course Water Dispenser for trucks loading more than 500 gallons.
- **38.** Discussion and Possible Action raising the fees on the County's Water Dispensers located at Las Lomas (Hwy 59), Self Help Center (Hwy 359), at La Bota (Mines Rd.) and on River Loop at the South Side Waste Water Treatment Plant from \$0.25 per 150 gallons to \$0.50 per 150 gallons.

- **39.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing to Amend the General Order for the Utilities Department to increase the salary of Slot # 1536 from \$9.38 to \$9.85 and to Authorize the Utilities Department to fill Slot # 1536, Assistant Cashier at the amended salary of \$9.85 per hour.
- **40.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing to "Dedicate to the Public" Lot 55, Block 4, Larga Vista Subdivision for the purpose of extending Larga Vista Road to the north side of the Larga Vista Community Center and Authorizing the County Judge to execute all documents pertaining to this dedication.

HEADSTART

- **41.** Discussion and possible action to extend the length of employment for SLOT # 980 (Mentor Head Teacher) from 22 Pay Periods to 26 Pay Periods for FY 2005 2006.
- **42.** Discussion and possible action to approve the Head Start Refunding Application for Fiscal Year 2006 2007 (September 1, 2006 through August 31, 2007) for a Grand Total of \$9,674,663 (Federal Share = \$7,739,730 and In-Kind = \$1,934,933).

PLANNING

43. Discussion and possible action to issue "Certifications Regarding Compliance with Plat Requirements and the Connection of Utilities" to authorize utility connections to the following properties:

Connection(s) qualifying under Section 232.029 (c)(1):

- An unplatted 5.5266 acre tract of land, out of and part of Porcion 10, as further described in Vol. 1424, Pgs. 514-516 of the Webb County Deed Records (electricity – one dwelling only);
- 2. Lot 1, Block 10, Pueblo Nuevo Subdivision (electricity one dwelling only).
- **44.** Discussion and possible action to grant Preliminary and/or Final Plat Approval to the J & D Subdivision, contingent upon recommendation(s) of the Webb County Planning Advisory Board.

PURCHASING

- **45.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to purchase two (2) plat cabinets in the amount of \$7,740.00 from Scott-Merriman, Inc. for the County Clerks office
- **46.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing agent to obtain the services of Simplex Grinnell for the annual fire alarm inspection for the following sites in the amount of \$10,844.00 for the Building Maintenance Department:

Administration Building

Agriculture Building

Courthouse

Precinct 2, J.P. Ricardo Rangel

Precinct 4 J.P. Oscar Martinez

Justice Center

- **47.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing agent to solicit bids for concrete pads and surfacing tiles for the Head Start Program.
- 48. Discussion and possible action to award the following bids:

Bid 2006-19 Removal and Demolition of Wastewater Treatment Plant in El Cenizo and Rio Bravo, Texas

Bid 2006-20 Three (3) 1200 sq. ft. mobile homes for Housing Rehab and Self Help Center

Bid 2006-21 thru 2006-24 Rehabilitation of Homes Self Help Center

49. Discussion and possible action to approve a line item transfer.

From: Acct. 001-0600-6011 Training and Education \$2,000.00 Acct. 001-0600-6022 Professional Services \$2,000.00

To: Acct. 001-0600-6205 Materials and Supplies \$4,000.00

RISK MANAGEMENT

50. Discussion and possible action for ratification of emergency action taken to hire contractor to restore and repair damages (to various departments) caused by severe rainstorm of May 14, 2006. Approval for expenses not to exceed \$40,000, this to include projected overtime as needed by County personnel [Funding source 001-0105-9201-May06].

ROAD & BRIDGE

- **51.** Discussion and possible action authorizing the Road and Bridge Department to hire a Road Inspector/Survey Technician at \$13.00 per hour, to assist the Road Construction and Paving Crews to manage the design and construction phases of the Texas Department of Transportation Border Colonias Access Program.
- **52.** Discussion and possible action authorizing Dept. 7002, Road and Bridge Department to fill the following slots:

Slot 1901	Water Plant Supervisor with a "C" groundwater license
Slot 1896	Maintenance Aide
Slot 1995	Truck Driver
Slot 1994	Truck Driver

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 53. Discussion and possible action to approve request by Denise Alvarado for retroactive re-instatement of health benefits under the County's "Cobra" plan, and for payment of medical expenses following cancellation of coverage for failure to timely pay premium, and any other matters incident thereto [Executive session is requested pursuant to TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, TITLE 5, SUBCHAPTER D, SECTION 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]. [Initiated by Webb County Judge Louis H. Bruni]
- 54. Discussion and possible action regarding Cause No. 2006-CVQ-000636-D2; Francisco Gonzalez, Jr. vs. Louis H. Bruni, County Judge of Webb County, Texas, Individually and in his Official Capacity; Frank Sciaraffa, as County Commissioner of Precinct 1 and Individually; JudithGutierrez, as County Commissioner of Precinct 2 and Individually; Jerry Garza, as County Commissioner of Precinct 3 and Individually; Cindy Cortez-Brunner, as County Commissioner of Precinct 4 and Individually; and Webb County, Texas; In the 111th Judicial District Court of Webb County, Texas.[Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)].

55. Discussion and possible action regarding Cause No. 2006-CVQ- <u>Jose Luis Rodriguez vs. County of Webb, Louis H. Bruni, in his Individual Capacity, Frank Sciaraffa, In his Individual Capacity, Jerry Garza, in his Individual Capacity, and Cindy Cortez Brunner, In her Individual Capacity; In the 111th Judicial District Court of Webb County, Texas. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)].</u>

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- **56.** Proclamation designating May as "Elder Abuse Prevention Month" in Webb County, and any other matters incident thereto.
- **57.** Adjournment

The Webb County Commissioners Court hereby reserves the right to go into executive session at any time during this public meeting, if such is requested by the County Attorney or other legal counsel for the County, pursuant to his or her duty under Section 551.071(2) of the Government Code, to consult privately with his or her client on an item on the agenda, or on a matter arising out of such item.

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Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid of service such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or need large print are requested to contact the court administrator at (956) 523-4622.

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DATED THIS DAY OF MAY, 2006	
By: YOLANDA L. CARRILLO COURT ADMINISTRATOR	
CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE AND POSTING	
I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Webb County Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy said notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulboard at the Courthouse door of Webb County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the day of, 2006 and said notice remained so posted continuously for least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.	Íletir
DATED THIS, 2006	
COUNTY CLERK, WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS	

BY: _____